



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/748,520
Applicant : SPITSBERG, *et al.*
Filed : DECEMBER 30, 2003
Title : CERAMIC COMPOSITIONS USEFUL IN THERMAL BARRIER COATINGS
HAVING REDUCED THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY

Art Unit : 1775
Examiner : MCNEIL, JENNIFER C.

Atty Docket No. : 129968

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116(b)

Dear Madam:

In response to the Office Action (made FINAL) mailed December 12, 2005 for the above application, the period of response to which is set to expire on March 12, 2006, please amend the above application as indicated below. Applicants submit there are good and sufficient reasons, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.116(b), for entering these amendments. In particular, in view of the following remarks, it is believed these amendments will put the above application in better condition for allowance or appeal.

Applicants' respectfully request prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance or an Advisory Action by the Examiner, as the present amendment is being timely filed on or before two months of the mailing date of the Final Action (i.e., on or before February 12, 2006). See MPEP 706.07(f)). Applicants' representative, Eric W. Gutttag, also respectfully requests a telephone conference in the event the Examiner has any questions, comments or suggestions that would place any pending claim not in allowable form in better condition for allowance. Applicant's representative may be reached directly at 513-856-7272.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.